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START SYSTEM

REPLY BRIEF

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Dear Sir:

Appellant submits this in reply to the Examiner's Answer mailed October 31, 2007.

The Examiner still has not explained how the proposed modification of the *Latos* arrangement should be made. As explained in Appellant's opening brief, the proposed modification cannot be made.

If the Examiner intends to rectify the AC provided to *Latos*' bus, that would defeat the intended operation of *Latos*' arrangement. Such a modification is not permissible.

If the Examiner is randomly putting in another rectifier somewhere else in *Latos*' arrangement, that cannot be done because it provides no benefit as already explained by Appellant.

If anything, the Examiner is using improper hindsight reasoning for coming up with some excuse for inserting the *Yoneta, et al.* rectifier into the arrangement of the *Latos*

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reference base purely upon a motivation to piece together the prior art according to Appellant's claims. Such a combination cannot be made and there is no *prima facie* case of obviousness.

All rejections must be reversed because none of the Examiner's proposed combinations can be made. Each of them defeats an intended result expressly taught by the primary reference. Additionally, there is no benefit resulting from any of the Examiner's proposed modifications to the primary reference. Since the references cannot be combined as proposed by the Examiner, there is no *prima facie* case of obviousness against any of Applicant's claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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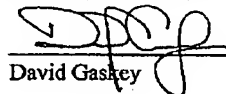


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